

Saloon League will not be able to make deal with the Jersey Democrats. Consequently the anti-Saloon League is giving the professional dry leaders a great deal more concern than any other feature of the conflict. The wet leaders have worked out a plan to convince the national leaders of the Republican party that partnership with the Anti-Saloon League is going to confirm the prediction of the President in his address to Congress, that the prohibition issue was rapidly becoming the most important factor in politics.

An estimate prepared by a well-informed wet leader on the probable strength of their rapidly growing ranks in the next Republican Convention is illuminating if not entirely accurate. Analysis of the recent election has inspired the wet leaders to predict that more than 400 of the 1,078 delegates in the next Republican nominating convention will be arrayed against prohibition, with prospects favoring further recruits.

Wet Sentiment Indicated.

They assert that the recent results in Rhode Island, New Hampshire, West Virginia, Missouri, Wisconsin and Louisiana established beyond question the opposition of the majority of voters in those States to the prohibition laws.

Confident that their prediction in this respect will prove correct, the wet leaders say they will not only set about organizing the Republican organizations in the other States from the influence of the Anti-Saloon League. They expect to make enough noise in Congress to support the underdog.

While admitting the probability of such a move, the dry leaders assert that when the program of the Government is put into operation the wet plans will prove valueless. The drys take the position that a concerted move by the Federal and State governments to enforce the prohibition laws will result in the complete rout of wet and moist rivals.

That the dry leaders are considerably perturbed by existing conditions, however, is clearly established by the private admissions made by some of them. The more candid admit that if the other States follow the unregenerate Jerseymen who deserted the Republican party to support the Democratic candidates, the national dry organization will be caught between the two parties, with little chance for perpetuating the degree of influence now exercised by it over the Republican party.

Only Two From the South.

The wet leaders assert, and their dry rivals admit, that there is considerable significance in the fact that only two Governors from the Southern States participated in the White House conference yesterday. While many reasons are advanced to account for this, the one most generally accepted by politicians is of partisan political importance. According to some of the Democratic leaders who subscribed to prohibition before the Eighteenth Amendment was enacted, the proposal to turn loose an army of Federal agents to the South will arouse suspicion that a plan to build up a Republican Federal machine in each of those commonwealths is involved.

The majority of Democratic Senators and Representatives from Southern States assert that the local authorities in them are fully capable of compelling obedience to the prohibition laws without Federal intervention. These legislators point to the fact that in all of the Northern and Western States the influence of the Anti-Saloon League was thrown back of Republican candidates and thereby disproved the contention of the professional dry leaders that their organization was non-partisan.

Advocates of repeal and modification of the dry laws are naturally doing all they can to provoke greater resentment on the part of Democrats. Some of them believe that so great will be the resentment of the Democrats in the South that they will be able to elect a great many candidates in the next Congressional election committed to the wet program. The scale expresses the further belief that if the dry organization continues to support Republican candidates the Democratic party will be forced to take the wet end of the argument.

GANG IN DENVER THEFT MAKES CLEAN ESCAPE

No Clew to Bandits Who Got Away With \$200,000.

DENVER, Dec. 19.—State and Federal authorities to-night were still baffled in their search for the bandits who yesterday morning shot and killed Charles Lindbergh and stole \$200,000 from Federal reserve vaults in one of the most daring holdups ever staged in the West.

Police, spurred by a \$10,000 reward for the bandits, dead or alive, offered by the city and county of Denver and by a reward of \$5,000 offered by the Chicago City Federal Reserve Bank, said they had many promising clues, but conceded the crime far from solution.

Twilight fourteen detectives were watching a rooming house near the Union Pacific building, when a car, evidently left by the bandits to be used in case of accident to their other machine, was discovered in front of the house. Information of it was furnished by a woman. Investigation showed it had been stolen. The woman said it had been parked on the street by three men about an hour before the holdup.

CRAB RUINING CAPE MAY CRABS.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

CAPE MAY, N. J., Dec. 19.—On dumped from ships has ruined thousands of soft crabs that were up in seaweed along the shores of the Delaware Bay from Cape May Point to Maurice River. The crabs are a great delicacy at this season and bring seventy-five cents a dozen in local markets and \$1.50 in Philadelphia.

Police are going to ask for a law to prevent the ships from dumping oil.

FOUND ANYTHING?

If you see it is advertised in the Lost and Found columns of to-day's New York Herald.

MASSACRE SURVIVOR TELLS HERRIN STORY

Man Who Fooled Mob After Being Stood Up to Be Shot Testifies.

NO TRUCE AGREEMENT

Witness Says White Flag Was Raised at Mine but Was Fired Upon.

NON-UNION MEN ARMED

Workers and Guards Lined Up at Fence Outside Town and Killed.

MARION, Ill., Dec. 19 (Associated Press).—Robert Officer, one of the survivors of the massacre in which twenty non-union men were killed at Herrin, testified to-day at the trial of the five men charged with their murder.

Officer, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, was a bookkeeper at the strip mine where the trouble started. He described the attacks on the property the afternoon of June 21, when three union miners were shot and killed.

Col. Sam Hunter of the Adjutant-General's office at Springfield, another witness, testified that there were no agreements between the non-union workers at the mine and local officials of the United Mine Workers for a truce and a safe conduct for the beleaguered workers out of the district. Officer's testimony corroborated this.

Officer said he had tried to arrange such a truce while acting in a purely personal capacity, having come down from Springfield when he heard of the trouble.

Owner Authorized Surrender.

Officer said Col. Hunter had talked to him over the telephone and said that W. J. Lester, the owner, had authorized the surrender of the property.

Just before midnight, Officer testified, those in the mine raised white flag, but the ensuing crowd surrounding the mine continued all night and the flag was lowered at daylight. Then the fierceness of the attack increased and the beleaguered decided to surrender, raising a white flag.

After being assured of their safety, according to the witness, the 48 non-union men were led from the mine. The crowd increased and Officer quoted one of its leaders, whom he could not identify, as shouting: "They're nothing but strikebreakers and we ought to kill them all."

About a mile from the mine, C. K. McDowell, the superintendent, was led away by two men. Other witnesses have testified that the crippled superintendent was slain at this spot.

Then the crowd marched about two miles further, where the remaining 47 prisoners were lined up before a barbed wire fence near a clump of woods. "We're going to give you a chance for your lives," Officer quoted one of the leaders as shouting and the firing began.

Escapes After First Volley.

Officer said he dropped at the first discharge, rolled under the fence and while the crowd was hunting for him while he had escaped the rain of lead.

It was at the wire fence that fourteen bodies were found after witnesses have testified. Four others were found in a clump of woods near by, having been shot as they fled. Six fugitives were captured, witnesses have said, driven through the street of Herrin and shot down at a cemetery just outside the town.

Officer said that the only man he recognized was Hugh Willis, State board member of the United Mine Workers. He said Willis drove up to the crowd before the shooting at the woods, asked for the leader and then disappeared from his view.

After a severe cross-examination Officer said there were forty-five workers in the pit and about twenty-five guards. Officer said McDowell had dealt out arms and ammunition which the men used in the mine at the time of the first attack. He admitted he had a gun. He also told of an airplane flying over the mine and said he heard explosions beneath it as though it was dropping bombs.

MRS. PARTRIDGE FINDS DRUG EVIL THE GRAVEST

Says There Are 1,000,000 Addicts, Mostly Youthful.

Mrs. Ordway Partridge, who has studied narcotic conditions for years, yesterday told a State committee meeting at the Women's Republican Club, 4 West Fortieth street, that the growing number of drug addicts in this country constituted the gravest social menace with which the country has to deal. She estimated that there are more than 1,000,000 addicts in the United States, of whom 75 per cent. are under 25 years of age.

Mrs. Partridge said that the only solution of the drug evil lies in bringing all drugs under Federal control. She asserted that 47,000 pounds of opium are enough for the medicinal uses, but that more than 700,000 pounds come in every year.

LOST MAIL FLIER FOUND.

Boonstra, Wrecked in Blizzard, Was at Utah Ranch.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 19.—Air Mail Pilot Henry G. Boonstra, missing since Friday, when he became lost in a blizzard en route to Rock Springs, Wyo., has been found alive and well at the Highways ranch, four miles southeast of where the wrecked plane was discovered yesterday. He was unable to leave the ranch because of deep snow.

TREATY CAUSES BIG CUTS IN NAVIES OF 5-5-3 POWERS

Secretary Denby Makes Report to the House Showing Where Signatories to the Washington Compact Are Reducing Sea Strength.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Responding to a House resolution, Secretary Denby transmitted to Congress to-day the information in the hands of the Navy Department on the extent to which warships have been scrapped under the terms of the Washington treaty or otherwise disposed of by the signatories.

The report showed that neither the United States nor Japan plans to complete the scrapping of any capital ships pending promulgation of the treaty, although both nations have stopped work on large building programs of capital ships. Great Britain was shown to have disposed of or to be disposing of considerable number of older capital ships.

The United States has decommissioned all completed ships except the battleship Connecticut, which is soon to go out of commission, and has sold the Maine and Missouri, which are being broken up.

Great Britain, Mr. Denby said, had broken up three capital ships, sold seven to be broken up, had sold one not dismantled, completed mutilations on two and was engaged in mutilating six. The Australian Government, he added, had decided to scrap the battle cruiser Australia.

Certain preliminary work involving removal of guns, turrets, armor and engines was being done, he said, on seven of Japan's capital ships, three had been placed in the fourth reserve and work had been suspended on six.

Neither France nor Italy was required to scrap any completed vessels by the treaty.

One of the ships France was permitted to retain, Mr. Denby said, had been wrecked.

Italy, Mr. Denby said, had disposed of one battleship under construction and had annulled contracts for the others. In addition, the Leonardo Da Vinci, a battleship permitted under the treaty, had been wrecked and would not be reconstructed.

Mr. Denby said the United States and other nations had disposed of many smaller craft not affected by the treaty. France has disposed of one battleship, four cruisers and nine torpedo boats.

BULLARD GIVES ADVICE BY RADIO

Tells Purpose of Civilian Military Training Camps and Reserve Forces.

Gen. Bullard, commanding the Second Corps Area, United States Army, told radio fans all about the civilian military training camps last night, broadcasting his speech from the Westinghouse station in Newark, N. J., to being the fifth "Army Night" devoted in part to the spreading of information about the army. Gen. Hale had spoken on the four other nights.

At the outset, Gen. Bullard explained the purpose of the camps, saying they offered a means of preparation for service and leadership in the reserve forces, not otherwise available. Then he explained the various courses and read a number of letters from parents and other relatives on the benefits that had followed the camp life and instruction.

The General closed with a few words as to the camp arrangements for next summer, saying in part:

"Young men without previous camp experience or equivalent training will go to Plattsburg. For those in Porto Rico, who will hold a camp at San Juan, P. R. Students with previous experience and training who wish to take up the infantry instruction will be sent to the Plattsburg and San Juan camps also. Students with previous training will have a choice of training in the various branches as follows:

"At Madison Barracks, on Lake Ontario, near Watertown, N. Y., for field artillery; at Fort Hancock, Sandy Hook, for coast artillery; for instruction in the air service, Mitchell Field, near Garden City, L. I., has been selected. Fort Belvoir, near St. Louis, Mo., for the First Regiment of Engineers of the famous First Division is stationed, will have the camp for engineering instruction by that regiment; signal corps instruction, including radio, will be given at Camp Vail, New Jersey.

LOUISIANA MILITIA TO SEEK KLAN VICTIMS

Sent to Place Where Two Men Have Vanished.

MONROE, La., Dec. 19.—Company G, Louisiana National Guard, consisting of sixty-five men and three officers under the command of Capt. D. W. Cooper, moved out of Monroe to-day on automobile trucks for Mer Rouge in Morehouse parish.

In addition to arms and ammunition the troops were supplied with provisions to last twenty days.

Mayor Robert Dads of Mer Rouge stated to-night that there has been no disorders of any kind for several months. Morehouse parish officials expressed surprise that troops should be sent to the parish, stating that normal conditions prevailed.

Five Mer Rouge citizens, including Watt Daniels and Thomas F. Richards, were kidnapped and whipped on the night of August 24 by thirty or forty hooded men. Three were released, but nothing has been heard since from Watt Daniels and Richards.

Theories have been advanced that the late near Mer Rouge may hold the bodies of the two men. One report is that the troops will drag the lake.

T. B. FELDER WILL LEAD FIGHT AGAINST KU KLUX

Heads Central Committee of Unity League.

The American Unity League, which established itself in New York two weeks ago, announcing its intention of exterminating the local membership of the Ku Klux Klan, announced yesterday that it has selected Thomas B. Felder, lawyer, 125 Broadway, as chairman of its central committee.

Felder accepted the chairmanship. "Each and every member of the Ku Klux Klan," wrote Mr. Felder in accepting, "or any other organization, who takes oath of allegiance to an 'invisible government' the purpose of which is to foment hatred of the Jewish race, arousing distrust of the Catholics, oppression of the negro or any other race, is a traitor to this great Government under which we live." Mr. Jones said that the league's first mass meeting will be held after the first of January.

HONORS THE CONVICTS WHO SERVED IN WAR

Tablet, Omitting Names, Unveiled in Prison.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—In memory of the inmates of Eastern penitentiary who were paroled so that they might enlist in the military service during the world war a tablet was unveiled in the institution to-day with impressive ceremonies.

The tablet recites that 151 of the penitentiary men answered the call, but the board of prison inspectors decided it would not be fair to the men to have their names permanently recorded in the institution, so the memorial simply bears this inscription:

"To the everlasting honor of those inmates of the Eastern penitentiary who served in the United States army and navy during the world war."

SEES STRIKE CLOUD OVER MINES AGAIN

John Hays Hammond Says Drastic Federal Action May Be Needed.

TRUCE TO END APRIL 1

Fact Finding Board Chairman Puts Coal Shortage at 40,000,000 Tons.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., Dec. 19.

John Hays Hammond, chairman of the Fact Finding Committee created by act of Congress, has issued warning of the danger of another coal strike next April. Miners and operators in the bituminous fields are deadlocked once more and the temporary truce established a few months ago will end on April 1 unless an agreement is reached at the conference on January 2 in Chicago.

Chairman Hammond couched his warning with a declaration that the American people are not going to stand for another strike.

"The people, however, who are now suffering from shortage of anthracite," he said, "are leaving the situation to the Coal Commission and to the Government. The former is using its utmost influence to get the operators and the miners to agree on a wage scale at the coming conference and, lacking such an agreement, the only hope of preventing a recurrence of what happened last year is drastic Government action."

"The commission has no power to intervene between the conflicting elements in the bituminous field. It is, however, gathering a mass of detailed information, and although it will be months before its conclusions can be put into the form of legislative enactment, its findings as to the facts in the industry will be available for the Government should it become necessary to act to prevent another emergency."

"The situation in the bituminous industry has in its every element of conflict which precipitated the strike last year, the recent conference in Chicago failed to find any basis of agreement and the leading spokesmen of the bituminous coal trade predicted a strike."

"Offsetting this outlook in the industry itself there is a degree of assurance for the public in the activities of the Coal Commission and in the indications that the Government, armed with a longer notice of the impending battle, will take the situation in hand."

"The most recent figures disclose that the anthracite output for the year up to December 2 was 44,843,000 tons, as against 55,178,000 tons for the corresponding period last year. There is, therefore, a shortage of 40,000,000 tons and it is on this shortage, which cannot possibly be made up, that the Fuel Administration is ordering distribution on the basis of 60 days' supply. The bituminous shortage caused by the strike has been to all intents and purposes absorbed."

Government officials hailed the recent suggestion made by The New York Herald editorially to the effect that the consumers should immediately take to bituminous coal and other substitutes to fortify themselves against shortage and possible profiteering.

BANK DEFEATS CLAIM ON DEPOSIT IN RUSSIA

Ford Holds Revolution Made Payment Impossible.

Justice Ford in the Supreme Court yesterday upheld a defense of frustration of transportation by the Federal City Bank in a suit for \$23,300, which Boris N. Sokoloff, former resident of Russia, brought for the recovery of funds in a Russian branch of the bank in 1918 in a Russian branch of the bank in 1918 in a Russian branch of the bank in 1918.

Several million dollars in claims against banks here may be affected by the decision, Justice Ford says.

"While this court may not recognize the Soviet Government as sovereign and therefore possessing power to confiscate property or collect debts as must be done in respect of a foreign State which has been recognized either de facto or de jure, it does not follow that we must assume a state of anarchy exists in Russia."

"We know as a matter of common knowledge that there is a Government there that has been functioning for five years or more. And that is not the Imperial Government of the Czar. Facts are facts in Russia as well as anywhere else."

LIQUOR EATS THROUGH CAN, EXPLODES, HURTS 2

Stuff Had Been Confiscated as a Beverage.

Patrolman Joseph Donohue and James Puzio, 334 East 109th street, a Police Department employee, were badly burned yesterday in the explosion of a can of seized liquor stored in the old Sheriff street police station. Donohue's hands suffered most, while Puzio had burns about the body. He was treated at Bellevue Hospital.

For several days Patrolman Donohue had watched a tiny stream of liquid oozing from the can of liquor. Investigation showed that chemicals in the alleged whisky had eaten through the tin. Donohue accordingly decided to destroy the stuff and, aided by Puzio, was carrying the can to a dump when it exploded.

OWENS IS INDICTED.

Charged With Shooting Brother Officer and Watter.

David A. Owens, a former patrolman attached to the marine division of the Police Department, was indicted yesterday on charges of assault in the first and second degrees as the result of his alleged shooting of two men last August while he was intoxicated.

Following the indictment he pleaded not guilty before Judge Rosalby in General Sessions and was continued in \$2,000 bail. Owens, according to the police, went on a rampage in West 21st street on the night of August 6 and wounded William Luce, a waiter, and Patrolman Bernard J. Green.

LADY SYKES DEFENDS \$52,000 TURF ACTION

Track Sensation of Past Recalled by Suit in London.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

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New York Herald Bureau, London, Dec. 19.

Great interest has been aroused in society circles here by the damage suit brought against Lady Sykes, widow of Sir Mark Sykes, the Yorkshire sportsman, by James White, a well known turfman, over the purchase of a colt named Noblesse Oblige.

Lady Sykes, who inherited her husband's stud farm, sold Noblesse Oblige at the Doonaster sales for \$52,000. In the suit, the trial of which began to-day, White charges that before the sale the horse suffered an accident with a fractured pelvis, but that he was not informed of this at the time of the sale.

Many of the socially prominent who crowded the court room recalled a turf case years ago in which Sir Tatton Sykes, father of the late Sir Mark, figured. Sir Tatton's wife, in the name of her husband, purchased a filly named La Fleche. When Sir Tatton refused to honor the contract, he was sued and forced to pay. It later turned out that much against his will, Sir Tatton had become the owner of a world famous race horse, for that is what La Fleche developed into.

BOOKKEEPER ACCUSED OF \$16,000 THEFTS

Complaint Made by Maiden Lane Employer.

Abraham Strongen, a bookkeeper, 23 years old, of 1474 Stebbins avenue, The Bronx, was arrested last night, charged by his employer, William Manheimer, 85 Maiden lane, with thefts amounting to \$16,000 since March, 1921. Strongen has a wife and two children. He is Patrick Marchetti, 17, of 203 Grand street, and Michael Marchetti, 19, of 1651 Seventy-fifth street, both of Brooklyn. They were arrested in Goney Island Court and held without bail, charged with attempting to rob the home of James S. Long, 1730 Seventy-fifth street, Sunday morning. They were caught when Mr. Long's daughter telephoned the police.

Liggett's drug store, 170 Nassau street, was robbed some time between Saturday night and Monday morning of cigarettes, perfume and other merchandise and several hundred dollars in cash.

Frank La Rosa, sentenced to life imprisonment as a habitual criminal in 1913 and paroled in 1915, was arrested in Flatbush Court, Brooklyn, charged with burglary. He was arrested climbing a back fence at 770 Nostrand avenue in possession of jewelry and other valuables worth \$200, which the police said he had stolen.

ONE KILLED, FOUR HURT IN PLUNGE OF MOTOR

Car in Yonkers Crosses Sidewalk After Skidding.

Anthony Ballu, aged 30, of 425 Neperian avenue, Yonkers, was killed and his four companions were injured last night when the automobile in which they were riding skidded in Central avenue, Yonkers, crossed a sidewalk and plunged over a thirty foot embankment. The injured are: Michael Baylenkow, of 453 Neperian avenue, his wife, his four-year-old son and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Bakoff.

Ermy Lehr, 26, of 4303 Hudson boulevard, North Bergen, N. J., was struck and probably mortally injured last night near his home by an automobile that sped away and left him lying in the boulevard. In North Hudson Hospital it was said he would die.

\$57,000 TNT BLAST RIPS UP 60,000 TONS OF ROCK

Huge Ledge Heaved Into River for Dam Work.

YAKIMA, Wash., Dec. 19.—A twelve ton charge of TNT was set off to-day at the Government construction camp at Rimrock and a huge ledge of rock, estimated at 60,000 tons, was heaved outward and upward and then slid into the river.

The rock later will be piled against the core wall of the Rimrock Dam, to be the largest earth filled dam ever constructed in the United States. It cost \$57,000 to prepare the blast.

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